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Mayor's **Corner** Moving On



We hear the expression “move on” frequently in today’s society and most likely we have used it ourselves. And when we do it’s generally an expression for “forget about a recent event and look forward.” Today, I want to share with you an event that happened in May that can/will affect our moving on – one not to forget, but to build on.

Let’s start with the City Council meeting of May 3. It was a really exciting event. The council recognized five outstanding 8th grade students from Crestview Middle School. It started with the students’ health class teacher, Tammy Becker, assigning them to a drug and alcohol awareness project. Voila! She was so impressed with their work on this project that she began sharing it across our community – with the Rockwood Drug-Free Coalition, the Superintendent of the Rockwood School District, the City of Clarkson Valley, the Federal Drug Enforcement

Administration, and with many other folks who are interested in what we as a community can do to prevent drug and alcohol abuse among our kids. These students answered the challenge with a video entitled “Fatal Friendship”. I urge you to see it at <https://youtu.be/w4aEKNrd6oQ>. This is powerful stuff - young people educating their peers as opposed to an older adult (like me) lecturing them. We know the problem of drug and alcohol abuse among our young people continues. Law enforcement is necessary - however, the trend continues. This video addresses prevention, yes, stop before it starts. That’s the ‘move on’ path that can have positive results.

Each student was presented with a Proclamation:

NAME	THEIR DAY IN CLARKSON VALLEY
Jordyn Vermont	May 4
Sophie Hultberg	May 5
Sarah Brigden	May 6
Josie Cazzaniga	May 9
Ali Hart	May 10

And each of these young ladies was presented with a bouquet of flowers at school on their designated day. Also at the meeting, the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration presented each student with a Certificate of Advancement. The City has long supported the Rockwood Drug-free Coalition. With the leadership of Councilman Jim Meyer, we, with the Coalition, were the first City in West County to initiate a prescription take-back Drug Day. Go to their website at www.rockwoodcoalition.org for more information and/or call Laurie Gunderson at 636-733-2136. Perhaps you can help or they can help you.

One more thing to remember before moving on: summer is a time of ball games, soccer, BBQs, vacations, swimming, events that shape our lives - just as Memorial Day (May 30th) and Independence Day (July 4th) have. Memorial Day is a day we remember and honor those men and women who died in service of our country. And July 4th is the celebration of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The land of the free and the home of the brave is only true because of those we honor on Memorial Day. Yes, we ‘move on’ into summer, not forgetting the young people that make our future look so bright nor those who have gone before making the American dream still viable.



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Hopefully, you have travel plans for the summer as well and would like to share your stories with your Clarkson Valley community.

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4	5					6		
	8	9				7	1	
3	2							
	4		5	3				
							2	
5					6		7	2
				2	4		9	1
7			3		1			

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusive.

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Clarkson Valley Ladies

Met to Discuss *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah



Clarkson Valley residents Daun Holdmeyer, Lori Holcomb, Carol Schwartz and Shannon Burger participated in discussing the first selection of the Clarkson Valley Book Club, *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah, on April 20th at Lucky's Market. The four ladies overwhelmingly agreed this was one

of the best books they have ever read; they all had a hard time putting it down. The story was heart wrenching, but tender and full of hope. The character development is very detailed and you find yourself rooting for them; not only because of the circumstances, but because you they are so likable.

It going to be hard to beat this selection, but we are going to try with *The Nest* by Cynthia D'Apris Sweeney. Everyone is welcome to join the Clarkson Valley Book Club! Please contact with Shannon Burger at burgerfarm2@gmail.com for more info.

Mark your calendar for this month's book discussion. All discussions take place at Lucky's Market (15830 Fountain Plaza Drive, 63011) at 7pm.

- June 28, 2016: *Me Before You* by Jojo Moyes



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MEET The Gladson Family

BILL, GIGI, WILL AND HENRY

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Article Written by **Gigi Gladson** & Sponsored by **Kehrs Mill Dental Arts**

The Gladsons love the idea of Meet your Neighbors as reported in the *Clarkson Valley Living* magazine. The article allows you the opportunity to “meet” and somewhat get to know other families that live in the wonderful bubble known as Clarkson Valley, the community they are very proud to call home. The Gladson family is Bill, Gigi, William (Will) and Henry. Bill and Gigi are both native St. Louisans, who grew up in Florissant and actually went to the same high school, McCluer North.

Bill is in the environmental services industry (trash man) and after several years of corporate transfers relocated back home to St. Louis in 1996. Gigi is the Director of Operations for Scott Properties in Creve Coeur. Although they knew of each other in high school they never dated “way back then,” so when dear friends reintroduced them via a blind date, they have been together since. They moved from Creve Coeur to Forest Hills Subdivision in August of 1999. Will was 1 and Henry was born 10 days after the move.

The Gladsons are members of Forest Hills Country Club (FHCC) and enjoy all the amenities that it has to offer. When the boys were young they attended FHCC summer camp, played Junior Golf, tennis, and were members of the “infamous” FHCC swim team. They are a very sports oriented family; the boys went to St. Clare of Assisi grade school where they both played soccer, basketball and volleyball too. As senior and sophomore students at Chaminade both boys are involved in school sports – Will played basketball and was a member of the bocce club – Henry plays basketball and baseball. As members of the Chaminade basketball team, both boys are very proud of the 5A Missouri State Basketball Championship Title won in March of this year.

Summers are filled with basketball and baseball tournament road trips, golf, and usually a trip to Orlando to stay Summer Bay Resort, a family favorite vacation spot. Hunting is one of the ways Bill and the boys bond; they usually spend Thanksgiving morning at Prairie Marsh Duck Club in O’Fallon, MO, where they have been members for the past 18 years. Golf is another passion of the boys, and due to mild weather conditions have spent the past



two Christmas mornings in a grudge match at FHCC against the Arman boys. They are looking forward to getting as many rounds in as possible this summer before Will leaves for college, he will attend Princeton University in the fall where he will continue his academic and basketball career as a Tiger!

The Gladson family’s professional photos were taken by *Clarkson Valley Living’s* Meet Your Neighbors photographer Cyndi Palmer, who owns and operates Cyndi Palmer Photography ~

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CAROLINE GLASER
 WOWS THE CROWD AT BLUEBERRY HILL'S DUCK ROOM

Article Written by Resident **Kristy Howard** & Photography by Resident **Morgan Howard**

around town



Caroline surrounded by Clarkson Valley friends and family



Caroline with her dad, Josh Glaser



Caroline with her band



Coffee Break
 Solutions



Sudoku Solution

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5	8	3	7	2	9	6	4	1
7	1	6	4	3	8	9	2	5
9	2	4	1	5	6	8	7	3
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On Friday night, April 8, Caroline Glaser, indie/folk singer and songwriter and daughter of Josh and Mitzi Glaser of Kingspointe, wowed a standing-room only crowd at the Duck Room inside Blueberry Hill in University City. Fans began showing up 2 hours early to secure a seat for her performance. Many of her family and friends and local Clarkson Valley residents came to cheer her on.

Caroline has an amazing rapport with her audience. When she got up on stage she made the whole crowd comfortable with her relaxed demeanor and you could see everyone nestle into their chairs in anticipation of her performance. Caroline sang many of her songs such as Waterfall, and Drive, from her upcoming self-titled album, which will be released on June 10. Because Caroline has such a beautifully unique voice, it is best to go to her website, carolineglaserofficial.com, to listen to her demos or other full length recordings. You can also keep up with her tour dates there as well. She has released two EP's and her latest album containing 9 songs can be ordered on iTunes.

Those who know Caroline well will tell you that she is very kind, soft-spoken, humble, and very appreciative of the opportunities that have come her way. This was very apparent after the show when Caroline took the time to individually greet and speak to anyone who wanted to meet her. She made each individual feel equally important and gave them as much time as they wanted to answer questions, take photos with her, or sign autographs. We have a feeling, that even as her success continues to grow she will always remain this way, our Caroline Glaser from Clarkson Valley.





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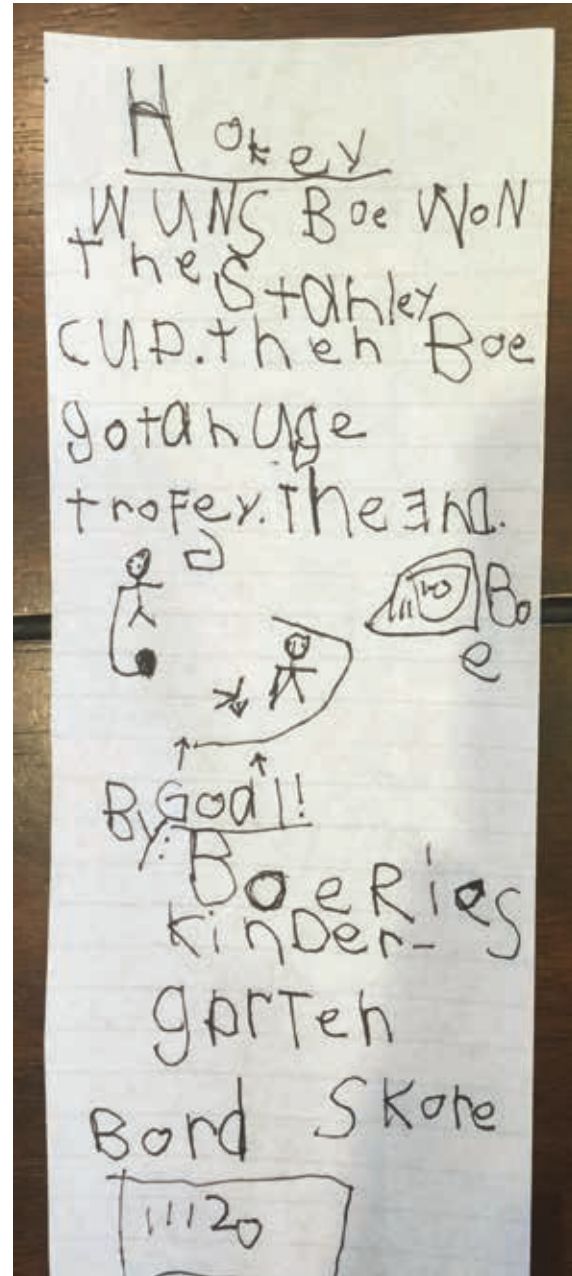
Hockey Story Written By **Boe Himself** (With A Little Help From **Mom Molly**)
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Boe, 6, loves everything sport- and outdoor-related. If he could spend all day outside, he would! Boe just completed his first year of homeschool (kindergarten). He plays on baseball and soccer teams, and loves playing with his three siblings, neighbors, and many friends! He's outgoing and easy-going, kind, strong, and loving.

This month, Boe shares a story he wrote himself all about his dreams of being a hockey player.



If you know of an outstanding youth (or you are one yourself!) who has had an accomplishing of some sort that should be featured, please email Kristy at Kristy.Howard@N2Pub.com.



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MEET Bryce Greenberg

Article Written by Resident Bryce Greenberg & Sponsored by Chesterfield Montessori School

I am Bryce Greenberg. I'm 11 years old and just finished the 5th grade at Ellisville Elementary. I like a lot of things! My favorite movie is *Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 2*. I love pop music. Charlie Puth is my favorite. I play baseball, soccer and karate. I have a karate tournament coming up that I'm going to do with my dad. I also have a few baseball games coming up. I also like to play the violin and keyboard. I'm trying to learn the violin a bit more than other kids because I'm hoping for an electric violin for my 12th birthday. I also love to sing and just received an awesome karaoke machine for my 11th birthday. I love playing outside, rummaging through plant life, and catching bugs. I have a microscope and love looking at the plants and bugs. My favorite vacation is going to Las Vegas in the summer because my grandparents live there. It is kind of a funny place to like for a kid who is under 21, but I love to swim in their pool and go camping! I have some challenges coming up.



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My mom says I am really good with helping take care of my siblings (which is very unique considering how impossible they are!). I enjoy helping my parents whenever I can because they both work so hard. I am really good with my sister plus I'm a good helper because I have WAY more energy than my parents do!

I wanted to tell you I have a wired haired Jack Russell dog named Scottie. He was my 5th birthday present and he still sleeps in my bed every night! I want to start dog walking and pet sitting this summer to make some money so I can buy a black Audi when I'm 16. Please call my mom, Nikki, at 314-583-9877 to hire me if you want.

When I grow up I can't decide if I want to be a marine biologist or a zoologist. I love science and doing experiments!

Thanks for reading,

Bryce



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Champion Equestrian JENNA UPCHURCH

Article Written by Resident Diane Upchurch & Sponsored by RIES Orthodontics



Jenna Upchurch, 17, is an early graduate senior at Marquette High School, having completed classes in December of 2015 to train full time in order to compete in the 2016



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North American Junior/Young Rider Championships (NAJYRC) being held in Denver, CO; also known as Junior Olympics. Jenna, with her new horse Greystoke, an 11-year-old Oldenburg gelding imported from Denmark in 2009 by her trainers Kate and Martin Kuhn of Springfield, IL hope to represent Region 4 again this year at NAJYRC. Jenna competed successfully at NAJYRC last summer on a leased horse, as well as qualifying to compete at Festival of Champions, where the top 12 riders in each age division in the country squared off at Lamplight, Chicago, IL, later last summer. Jenna has also earned her Bronze and Silver Dressage Medals with her competition record recently. She was also recognized in the Top 10 by the Arabian Horse World 2015 list of amateurs including junior and amateur riders.

In her 11 years of riding and competing, Jenna has earned ten National Championship Titles and eleven Regional Championship Titles along with numerous class A wins, high point awards, and year end awards. Some of Jenna's favorite memories include: winning Fourth Level National Champion on her now retired horse Takhosabi after having won First Level two short years earlier, earning three national championships on her young horse SRC Alejandro that she had trained from a yearling to a five year old, and being part of a team in 2015 at her first NAJYRC and getting to cheer on her teammates.

Jenna's advice to any aspiring athlete is to never let go of your dream no matter how large, but always remember to be flexible with how you get there. Jenna plans to be a large animal vet, and attend the University of Kentucky this fall majoring in equine science and management.



Kids, teens and adults - Call athletes of all ages! Do you play a sport you are passionate about? Whether it's football, cheerleading, skateboarding, skiing, soccer, badminton or any sport in between, we want your story! Just email Kristy at Kristy.Howard@N2Pub.com in order to be featured in the next available issue.

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Our family lived in a home on the Forest Hills golf course for 15 years when a traditional two-story Forest Hills floor plan came onto the market in 2010. At the time, we were contemplating building a new home or taking on a full remodel to achieve the new spaces we wanted. We were planning for that next life stage, where in a short period of time we would be empty nesters. This 35-year-old home was maintained by a single owner who completed a number of additions over the years, which resulted in well thought out rooms with unique character and traditional architectural details. We fell in love with the home's great bones, six fireplaces and private backyard. We decided this was the move for us!

We began our full remodel project updating all the existing spaces to feel like new. We managed the project with the help of a general contractor, and our search for an interior designer began. With all the wonderful talent in St. Louis, there were a lot of choices to consider. But ultimately for us, our criteria focused on finding an interior designer who could translate our vision, making it highly personal while being able to source out the custom materials in rugs, window treatments, art and furnishings.

Our challenge was answered in meeting and building a wonderful relationship with Design Consultant, Debbi McLaughlin of Ethan Allen, Chesterfield Valley. Debbi stood out from all the designers with her expert experience in many genres of design, a focus on

harmonious balance and great attention to detail. Debbi was able to take inspiration from pictures, work with existing pieces, and a love for certain French period styles to create our new spaces with timeless appeal. She took the extra time to create vision boards for each space which enabled us to make decisions with confidence. The result is a wonderful mix of traditional and modern style which we find both functional and beautiful.

It is really difficult to say which room is our favorite! The dining room and adjoining living room greet our guests with a fresh formality and a blend of warm neutral tones, which is tranquil but not overly stuffy. With Debbi McLaughlin's guidance we so enjoyed the process and her solid approach of building a good foundational canvas. Her strong sense of fabrics, color and a wide range portfolio of furniture enabled us to style our home to our exact vision. We love coming home!



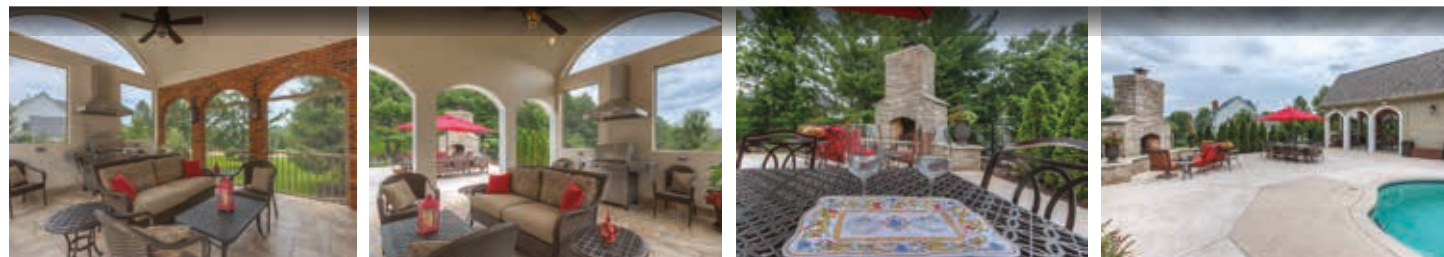
We have featured some great homes in Clarkson Valley and would love to share yours, as well. Have you recently remodeled, redecorated or built on an addition? Have you created a man cave or built a new wine cellar? Simply contact Kristy at Kristy.Howard@N2Pub.com and we will coordinate a professional photo shoot by widephoto to highlight your home in an upcoming issue of Clarkson Valley Living.



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Meet Mac, The Beardie!

Written By **Mac**, With A Little Help From His Human Mom, **Kathy Cordova**, & Sponsored By Oxi Fresh Carpet Cleaning

Hi! My name is Mac. I'm an almost 6-year-old bearded dragon, and have lived with the Cordova family in Kehrs Mill Estates West since I was a wee baby. I can live to be 10-16 years and in human terms, middle aged. Santa brought me here as a surprise for my human dad, Tyler, when I was tiny and the trip was very cold and bumpy. The adjustment was hard at first because I missed my Beardie family. Tyler and I really started to bond when he carried me around in his sweatshirt pocket where I felt warm and safe. He gave me a lot of love and I got pretty comfortable in my new digs.

of the night is when I get to snuggle with my human family while we watch TV. I can't wait for the summer when I get to play in the water and bask on the pavers. Oh, what a life!



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Tyler named me after Donovan McNabb, his favorite football player at the time. I guess he couldn't tell I was a girl! But when I turned three, I surprised Tyler and I laid my first clutch of eggs. I thought he might change my name to a girl's name, but he didn't. I don't mind; I like my name. When I was with my brothers and sisters I liked their company, but now I am used to being alone and I don't like to share my home, and will eat you if you are smaller than me...so stay out! I do have a step brother Cody, though. He is a red poodle and I guess he's cool, that is, for a dog!

I love to eat mealworms and crickets, but my dad gives me eat my veggies and fruits too... raspberries and cilantro are my favorites! During the summer, we go to the lake and I get to eat dandelions and clover flowers out of the yard...yum! When I was about 2, I think I upset my dad. Tyler and his buddy had been out catching baby lizards and naming them. He brought one in the villa and I was on the carpet with his mom. He put that little ugly alien looking thing on the ground not too far from me. Was it a new roommate or a snack? I made the decision for Tyler and ran over to "Luke" and gobbled him up before the boys could even blink! That settled that! Although I think it's fun to eat other creatures, I'm terrified that a bird will swoop down and eat me while I am having playtime outside. My humans are pretty good at protecting me, however. I love basking in the sun and hanging out under my heat lamp. I have to stay warm to stay alive and the best time

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Article Written By **Resident Mary Ann Ignaczak** & Sponsored by **Dowco Enterprises, Inc.**



Hello Clarkson Valley! We are the Ignaczak family, consisting of me, Mary Ann, my husband, Ed, and our 7 children. Ed is retired from Express Scripts where he worked for 25 years. I am a physical therapist/stay-at-home mom. We are the parents of 7 children. Our oldest is Ed, 25, who is married and now in Madison, WI, Dan, 23, at Westminster College in Fulton, MO, studying business communications, Tom, 21, at University of Rochester in NY studying chemical engineering, James, 19, at Mizzou for pre-accounting, Sam, a senior at CBC and going to SMU in the fall, Maggie, 14, in 8th grade at Ascension and to Villa this fall, and last but not least, Katie, 12, in 6th grade at Ascension and following sister, Maggie to Villa in the fall. We are originally from Pennsylvania but have lived in Pittsburgh, Dallas, Minneapolis, and now, hopefully our last stop, Clarkson Valley where we have resided now in Dunhill for 13 years.



We love living in Clarkson Valley and were attracted to the area because of the quiet atmosphere and the beautiful, large yards. Our neighbors are all polite and considerate of each other. We decided to enhance our backyard in 2011 and chose Andy Bozdech of Bozdech Construction to do the work. Although we already had a pool, we wanted a space that would function as a living area of its own. We added a pool house and outdoor fireplace which we use constantly, and the seating area allows for relaxing and unwinding after a long day.

Because we are native Pennsylvanians we frequently spend the holidays hosting out of town family and friends. We consider ourselves to be outdoor people and this space is great for entertaining. It is also a great retreat when one wants to sneak away from a full house! Our outdoor oasis backs up to the woods, where we have created many family memories blazing trails and building forts and jumping on the trampoline.

Although we are surrounded by many homes we experience a peaceful tranquility with our addition. Because of its functionality we are able to enjoy using it all year around. We hope you have found the feeling of peace as well while living in Clarkson Valley!



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Cub Scout Pack 782 Conservation Event Huge Success! Article Written By **Resident Kristi Howard** & Photography by **Resident Morgan Howard**

You will probably see more monarch butterflies in your area later this summer due to the huge turnout at the Cub Scout Pack 782 and American Heritage Girls Troop MO 1345 Conservation Event at Summer Winds Nursery on the weekend of April 16th! Over 700 new milkweed plants were sold and will be planted which will dramatically increase the population of host plants for the monarch butterflies to lay their eggs on! In addition, a local honey farmer, ex-St. Louis Blues Hockey Player, Larry Patey, sold enough of his own



honey to buy two more additional bee-hives, thus helping to increase the population of pollinators!

We also found out that, through this event, two customers are going to start bee farming as well! In addition to selling milkweed plants, the Missouri Department of Conservation helped to educate the public on how to increase the decreasing monarch and pollinator population. A live bee-hive was on display which delighted the children, and the Cub Scouts and AHG girls helped the children make all kinds of fun take-home crafts. We were so blessed to have a beautiful weekend and to have so many conservation-



Resident Zach Howard with Ben Taylor, both Cub Scout Webelos 1

minded citizens attend, as well as help children from the public learn to be stewards of their environment. The pack made a profit of \$1,200 making it possible to purchase 2 aeroponic indoor garden towers for St. John Lutheran School which will be utilized in their STEM science program in both the lower school and upper school!

If you could not make it this year, we will probably run this event again next year and hope that you will attend. Thanks to Summer Winds for be so supportive of this event! They were truly great partners in this event!



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From the Kitchen of Resident Valerie Denton & Sponsored by Just Around the Corner Flooring

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FRESH TOMATO AND PEACH SALAD WITH BALSAMIC VANILLA VINAIGRETTE

- 3 ripe firm peaches
- 3 large fresh ripe tomatoes (heirloom tomatoes can be used)
- 8 oz. burrata or fresh mozzarella (CilieGINE or Bocconcini), torn into pieces
- 6 basil leaves (thinly sliced)

Balsamic Vanilla Vinaigrette (recipe below)

Halve, pit and cut the peaches to desired shape - slice in wedges to serve on a platter or cut in chunks to serve in a large bowl. Remove core from stem end of large tomatoes. Slice into 1/2-inch rounds or cut in chunks to serve in a large bowl. Season the tomato and peaches with salt and pepper. Drizzle the balsamic vanilla vinaigrette over the top of the tomatoes and peaches then sprinkle with the cut fresh basil. Serve immediately.

NOTE: If making a salad bowl, drain cut tomatoes before adding anything else to the bowl to avoid excess liquid prior to tossing in vinaigrette.

BALSAMIC VANILLA VINAIGRETTE

- 1/4 cup white balsamic vinegar
- 3/4 cup virgin olive oil
- 1/2 vanilla bean, scraped
- 1 tbsp. honey (add more for additional sweetness)
- Pinch salt and fresh pepper

Whisk or shake in a jar to blend the above ingredients at least 30 minutes before serving. This can be made a day ahead and refrigerated up to 1 month. Bring to room temperature before serving.

Hint: Never store vanilla beans in refrigerator. Store in a tightly sealed container in a cool, dry, dark place away from heat such as a cabinet.

Additional Serving Suggestions:

If you want to elevate the flavors, try grilling the peach slices for a couple of minutes, cool and add to the salad. Add cooked fresh pasta to create a hearty salad.



Would you like to have your favorite family recipe featured in the neighborhood publication? We are looking for anyone who has a good recipe to share! Simply email Clarkson Valley Living's Delicious Dish Contributor, resident Valerie Denton, at gavadenton@sbcglobal.net, to have your recipe featured in the next available issue!

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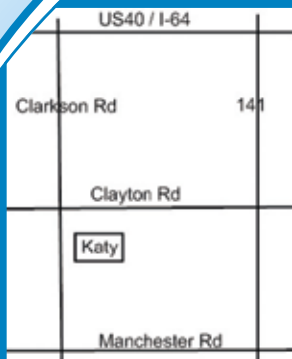
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16656 Kehrgrove Dr.	Dunhill Farm	\$850,000	\$840,000	12/21/15	4	5	4,569	3
2205 Whitney Pointe Dr.	Dunhill Farm	\$799,900	\$770,000	03/04/16	4	5	4,322	3
228 Whiting Lane	Forest Hills Club Estates	\$679,900	\$679,900	05/06/16	4	4	2,840	2
1850 Kehrswood Dr.	Kehrswood	\$599,000	\$578,000	12/28/15	4	6	3,674	3
133 Chippenham Lane	Forest Hills Club Estates	\$625,000	\$575,000	12/23/15	5	5	4,004	2
5 Clarkson Farm Dr.	Clarkson Farm Estates	\$575,000	\$562,500	12/29/15	4	4	3,236	2
2055 Kehrs Mill Rd.	Kehrs Mill Estates	\$575,000	\$555,000	12/15/15	4	4	3,150	3
16851 Kehrsdale Dr.	Kehrs Mill Estates	\$569,900	\$550,000	01/12/16	4	4	2,982	3
2212 Ridgley Woods	Pleasant Valley Forest	\$474,900	\$466,500	04/22/16	4	4	3,037	2
15859 Kettington Rd.	West Hampton	\$475,000	\$455,000	12/15/15	4	3	2,896	2
3 Greenbank Dr.	Forest Hills Club Estates	\$439,900	\$430,000	04/14/16	3	3	2,878	2
108 Chippenham Lane	Forest Hills Club Estates	\$450,000	\$430,000	12/29/15	4	4	2,475	2
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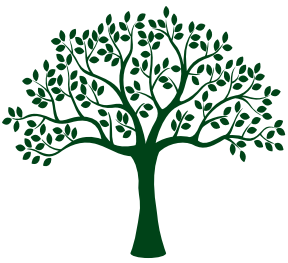
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